

Hancock County Catholic Church St. Columba & Immaculate Conception



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Nationwide Mass Times

Call 1-734-794-2100 or www.masstimes.org

Opportunities for Life Hotline

Call (800) 822-5824 for help for those experiencing an untimely pregnancy.

Does Your Marriage Need Help?

Call 800-470-2230 or www.retrouaille.org

Membership in the Parish

We give a hearty welcome to all new families moving into our Parish. Please register in the Parish Office as soon as possible. Families who plan to move from our parish community are requested to inform us.

Bulletin Articles

Deadline for submission of bulletin articles is on Monday.

St. Vincent de Paul Thrift Store

Phone 270-295-3494
Store hours: M-F 10-4 pm, Sat. 10-2 pm
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GOSPEL MEDITATION

Many prefer a “create as you go” approach to life where laws and protocols primarily exist to secure and protect liberties rather than dictate and outline proper and right behavior. There are no real benchmarks for acceptable ethical and moral behavior, with a “you can’t tell me what to do” attitude prevailing. Parents are even limited in what they can request of their children, and dealing with threatening behaviors, especially from adults, are a challenge as well. Acceptable and expected conduct seems to amount to safeguarding each other’s space rather than increasing awareness of necessary relationships that require a more refined and higher response.

We have lost our axis to the world of “anything goes” and no longer see the Ten Commandments as practical and wise guideposts to effective living. We live on “relativism island” where only a possible suggestion to “love and do not harm” may be the only standard able to be preached. While Jesus most certainly emphasized love above anything else, it was never about warm fuzzy feelings or halfhearted humanitarian efforts. The love of which Jesus spoke establishes an intimate connection with God, neighbor, self, and creation. Because this love, who is God Himself, is at the foundational core of our lives, it demands actions and attitudes that serve to build up, increase, and free up those relationships. Love requires proper conduct. Preserving and enhancing these love centered relationships is at the heart of the Ten Commandments (and the Beatitudes) and the reason for Jesus’ display of anger in the temple.

The Ten Commandments can save the world from turmoil and conflict by instilling basic moral and relational principles within us. They also hold a healthy sense of sin in balance and always remind us of our relationship with God and the freedom God offers. Our faith preserves these jewels of truth that we often look beyond, dismiss altogether, or seek to remove from public view. Human beings can be so arrogant at times. Our Lenten journey, especially when embarked upon with sincerity and resolve, can restore all of our essential relationships. When we get absorbed in life’s preoccupations and demands, things can quickly get distorted and we can find ourselves way off track. In short, we find ourselves in sin. Humanity is losing a sense of both grace and sin. We need both to understand what is real and true. Until we do, the oppressive systems and ideologies that hurt so many will never change. We will never change. We are grateful for those courageous souls who willingly embrace the conversion and hard work Lent demands and stand against antiquated systems and ideologies. They give us hope that all is not lost.



Celebration of the Sacraments

Baptism • Baptism takes place on Sundays during Mass or following Mass. Please call Fr. Terry to schedule a date and for baptismal prep. Baptism for older youths and adults either occurs at the Easter Vigil or before receiving other sacraments.

Eucharist • First Eucharist is typically celebrated during May each year with children in the second grade.

Confirmation • Is celebrated in the seventh and eighth grades or at the Easter Vigil. The Bishop visits every two years and we alternate between the two parishes.

Holy Orders • Contact Fr. Terry if you are interested in the vocations of Priesthood or Religious Life.

Marriage • Contact Fr. Terry at least 6 mo before setting a date to begin marriage preparation. Couples may be asked to attend Pre Cana or Engaged Encounter.

Reconciliation • Before or after any Mass, or by appointment with Fr. Terry. First Reconciliation is celebrated during Advent.

Anointing of the Sick • Celebrated twice a year at the weekend Masses. Anyone who is ill, infirmed or going to surgery may request an anointing by calling Fr. Terry.



The Living Water

This Sunday we hear the story about the Samaritan woman who was in need of water. Instead of receiving the ordinary water she thirsts for—she found Jesus Christ. Like the Samaritan woman with her many faults, we too are often searching and looking for many things in life and Christ is always drawing us closer and deeper to His heart which is our peace. Just like the woman at the well we too can receive the fullness of Christ in our lives and proclaim all the good things that He has done for us. The gift of inner peace and conversion in today's gospel also reveals that Christ shown no favoritism despite the fact that the Jews and the Samaritans disliked one another. On this third Sunday of Lent may we too thirst for the living water so that our thirst may be satisfied—the living water who is Jesus Christ.

God Bless You, Fr. Terry



Faith Sharing Question

Gospel:

John connects Jesus' cleansing of the Temple in Jerusalem to Jesus' bodily resurrection from the dead with a quote from Psalm 69: "Zeal for your house will consume me." During this season of Lent, how passionate is your faith?

Second Collection for Lenten Project

Next weekend during Mass we will take up a second collection for our two Lenten projects of supporting Water Women thru Water with Blessings and supporting the work of St. Benedicts Shelter. Please prayerfully consider what you can give and place it in the second collection basket. If you want to write a check it can be made out to either of the churches.

Item Donations for St. Benedicts Shelter

During the month of March we are collecting items to donate to St. Benedicts Shelter and the Women and Children's Day Center. Below is a list of items you may choose to donate. Please bring your items to church and place them in the baskets.

- ◆ Men's flip flops
- ◆ mesh laundry bags
- ◆ women's and children undergarments such as sports bras and panties
- ◆ Feminine products
- ◆ winter gloves and sock caps for men, women and children
- ◆ Dollar Store "cheater" reading glasses for men
- ◆ individually wrapped snacks such as granola bars, pop tarts, peanut butter or cheese crackers, Coffee for the Shelters

St Columba Adult Study to Resume

The adult study Jesus the Way the Truth and the Life will resume Sunday March 14th at St. Columba after the 8:30am Mass time. The first class will be a review of the previous sessions and then class will resume as scheduled. All are invited. Please contact Denise Long if you have any questions.

SHOGUN Express Food Truck March 8th!!!

The truck has been repaired and the **SHOGUN Express Food Truck** will be at Bills IGA on Monday March 8th from 11:00am to 2:00pm. Stop by and grab a bite to eat. Take it to work for lunch and take some home for dinner! We will receive a percentage of all sales for our Lenten Project. Spread the news!!!



Mass Intentions

Wednesday, March 10

5:30 pm † Kevin Hanks IC
By The Emmicks

Thursday, March 11

8:00 am † Patti Toler SC
By Marian Lanham & Alvey cousins

Saturday, March 13

5:00 pm People of the Parish SC

Sunday, March 14

8:30 am † Vivian Gearlds SC
By Denny and Denise Long

10:30 am † Isabel Crenshaw IC
By Dan and Shirley Hagman

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Date March 7, 2021

Sunday: Ex 20:1-17 or 20:1-3, 7-8, 12-17/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11 [Jn 6:68c]/1 Cor 1:22-25/Jn 2:13-25 or Ex 17:3-7/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 [8]/Rom 5:1-2, 5-8/Jn 4:5-42 or 4:5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42

Monday: 2 Kgs 5:1-15ab/Ps 42:2, 3; 43:3, 4 [cf 42:3]/Lk 4:24-30

Tuesday: Dn 3:25, 34-43/Ps 25:4-5ab, 6 and 7bc, 8-9 [6a]/Mt 18:21-35

Wednesday: Dt 4:1, 5-9/Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20/Mt 5:17-19

Thursday: Jer 7:23-28/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 [8]/Lk 11:14-23

Friday: Hos 14:2-10/Ps 81:6c-8a, 8bc-9, 10-11ab, 14 and 17 [cf. 11 and 9a]/Mk 12:28-34

Saturday: Hos 6:1-6/Ps 51:3-4, 18-19, 20-21ab [cf. Hos 6:6]/Lk 18:9-14

Next Sunday: 2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23/Ps 137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6 [6ab]/Eph 2:4-10/Jn 3:14-21 or 1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4m 5, 6 [1]/Eph 5:8-14/Jn 9:1-41 or 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38



A listing of online Mass locations and times are listed on our website

www.icscchurch.org

Join St Columba Facebook Live on Sundays 8:30am

TV Channels for other Masses

DirecTV	CH 370
Dish	CH 261
Antenna	CH 45 at 6:00am

Immaculate Conception Mission Statement

As people chosen by God through our baptism, the parish of Immaculate Conception Catholic Church is called to make Christ visible in our family, community and the world. We proclaim God's word in worship, through the sacraments, in hospitality, teaching, repentance, forgiveness and service.

Our goal is that all people may come to know and share in the salvation of Jesus Christ.

Bulletin Board
Sunday, March 7



Tuesday, March 9

7am -7pm Adoration and Individual Stations of the Cross available IC
 1:00pm Rosary IC

Thursday, March 11

7am -4pm Adoration and Individual Stations of the Cross available SC
 9:00am Rosary SC

Saturday March 13

Sunday, March 14

Daylight Saving Time begins



Wednesday March 10

Immaculate Conception: 5:30pm
 Lector: Volunteer
 Hospitality/Usher: Woodward Family
 Disinfecting Team: Marilyn McCaslin

Thursday March 11

St. Columba:8:00am
 Lector: Volunteer
 Hospitality/Usher: Volunteer
 Disinfecting Team: Volunteer

Saturday March 13

St. Columba 5:00pm
 Lector: Volunteer
 Hospitality/Usher: Dot Pooser
 Disinfecting Team: Fr. Terry Devine

Sunday March 14

St. Columba 8:30am
 Lector: Joseph Quinn
 Cross Bearer: David Payne
 Hospitality/Usher: Randy Miller
 Scott Basham
 Disinfecting Team: Nicole Quinn
 Ron Spalding,

Immaculate Conception 10:30am

Lector: Kenny Woodward
 Cross Bearer: Volunteer
 Hospitality/Usher: Lyday Family
 Disinfecting Team: Charles Shadwick
 Nathan Powers



Why Do We Do That?

Question: What's the difference between priests and brothers, friars, etc.?

Answer:

The distinctions titles and categories used for priests and the male members of religious communities can be confusing, especially since the categories can sometimes be intertwined as a man can be both a priest and a monk, or a brother and a friar. So, to help to piece the puzzle together, it's important to begin by noting some basic distinctions:

The distinction between priests (who are ordained for sacramental ministry) and brothers (who are non-ordained members of religious communities and who are committed to lives of prayer and service).

Priests: A priest is a man who has been ordained for sacramental ministry and these fall into two categories: A) Diocesan (or Secular) Priests can either be attached to a diocese and who serve under a bishop. Their ministry is usually oriented toward pastoral service. B) Religious Priests are members of religious communities (like the Franciscans, Jesuits, Salvatorians, or Carmelites) and their lives are guided by the special mission and charism of their community. While both kinds of priest practice sacramental ministry, their spirituality and how they live out their priesthood can be very different.

Brothers: Brothers are non-ordained members of religious communities (such as those mentioned above) who live lives committed to prayer and service. Religious priests and brothers serve together in their communities and their ministries include much more than the care of parishes.

Monks, Friars, and Canons: These are broad categories that include religious priests and brothers, and each of these is connected to specific ways of life and spiritualities.



Congratulations

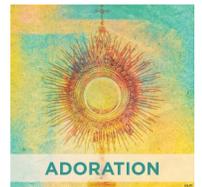
Leonard and Linda Thomas	March 3	35 years
Jimmy and Carol Harper	March 3	59 years
Jamie and Amy Conway	March 22	5 years

Easter Flowers

Donate for Easter flowers during Lent in memory of a loved one. You may do so by using the envelope in your giving packet and write the name or names of your loved ones on the envelope before dropping it in the collection. We will have a special bulletin insert on Easter Sunday with the names of all the loved ones noted.

Opening for Adoration at IC

Spend a little extra time with Jesus during Adoration! We have an opening for Adoration at Immaculate Conception for 8:00am on Tuesdays. Please contact Denise if you are interested or would like more information.



Sunday Collections

Immaculate Conception	St. Columba
Weekly Goal\$3,173.00	Weekly Goal.....\$2,500.00
Collection 2-28-21 <u>\$3,427.00</u>	Collection 2-28-21 <u>\$2,515.00</u>
Difference over \$254.00	Difference over..... \$15.00
Mass Attendance 70	Mass Attendance 58/33
Week # 35 of 52	Week # 35 of 52
Fiscal YTD Goal.....\$111,055	Fiscal YTD Goal \$87,500
Fiscal YTD Actual.....\$114,324	Fiscal YTD Actual..... \$83,309

St. Columba Mission Statement

We, St. Columba Parish, are a living family of God committed to deepening and sharing our faith. We immerse ourselves deeper in our baptism to reach out to those in need, call people to recognize their talents and pray for guidance to lead all people to experience the light of Christ.